



Tips for Effective Classroom Management

Be Proactive → be prepared, in control, and know what's happening when

► Good preparation

- handle details early (like making copies, writing directions on the board, setting up materials, handing back papers, etc.)
- greet students as they enter your room

► Classroom control

- determine and post a list of classroom policies & procedures
 - use steps to help students change their behaviors: one-on-one conference, counselor referral, parent contact, dean's referral. Praise their good behavior **OFTEN** too!
- create a smooth, controlled start to each class period
- set up a routine that provides structure for students
 - use a "bell ringer" that provides practice of skills students already have
 - write the agenda on the board -write the objective(s) on the board



Five Suggestions for Deterring Discipline Problems



1. Keep the lesson moving. Use different teaching techniques/strategies and lesson activities within a class period.
2. Keep the students engaged in learning. Avoid lecturing. Use role playing, cooperative learning, think-pair-share, discussion strategies, manipulatives, etc. when possible. Think multiple intelligences.
3. Let students see you as a person. Talk to them in the hall, in the cafeteria, at the store or anywhere you encounter them. Note their successes: awards, big play, kindness, picture in the paper, etc.
4. Get close to the students, particularly when they're being noisily distracting.
5. Talk to the student one-on-one privately and ask if he/she is okay. Find out how outside factors may be influencing the student's behavior in class. Then take appropriate measures to problem solve as a team.

